

**SB**

**153**

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# SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

DATE: 4/2/93

FURTHER:

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4-10-93

The Finance Committee considered **SENATE BILL NO. 153**

"An Act relating to the exchange of certain fish for seafood products, custom processing of certain fish, and use of certain fish for charitable purposes."

and recommends:

- replace with \_\_\_\_\_ CS \_\_\_\_\_ (FINANCE)
- or  adopt previous \_\_\_\_\_ CS SB 153 (RES)
- attaches amendment(s)

- same title
- new title
- technical title change (HB only)

adopts \_\_\_\_\_ Letter of Intent

further referral to the \_\_\_\_\_

do pass

do not pass

no recommendation

individual recommendations

**NEW FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

**PREVIOUS FISCAL NOTES**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
DEC	4/2/93		5.0
DFAG	4/2/93	-0-	

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

**DO PASS:**

*Tim Kell*  
*Ben Abney*

**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

*Greg Ab* *Hum: Mike*

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 Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Co-Chair: Signature/Recommendation

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Changes in CSSB153 (RES) reflect NO FISCAL CHANGE from the original fiscal note. This fiscal note is appropriate.

### FISCAL NOTE

No. 1

4-1-93 SSS  
STATE OF ALASKA Comte Aide (initial)

Bill Version: SB153

(S) Publish Date: 4-2-93

## 1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: Exchange of certain fish for seafood products  
Sponsor: Senator Taylor  
Requestor: Senate Resources

Department Affected: Environmental Conservation  
BRU: Environmental Health  
Component: Seafood

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 648

### EXPENDITURES/REVENUES: (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TRAVEL	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CONTRACTUAL	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
SUPPLIES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
EQUIPMENT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
LAND&STRUCTURES	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
GRANTS,CLAIMS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
MISCELLANEOUS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL OPERATING	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:						
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### FUNDING:

1002 FEDERAL RECEIPTS	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1003 GF MATCH	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1004 GF	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1005 GF/PROGRAM RECPT	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
1006 GF/MHTLA	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
OTHER	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	5.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

POSITIONS: NONE

FULL-TIME			
PART-TIME			
TEMPORARY			

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Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ NONE

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary.)

The bill requires that the Department determine the yield difference between raw and processed fish. There would be a one time contractual requirement to develop these standards.

Prepared by: Kit Ballentine, Acting Director  
Division: Environmental Health

Phone: 465-5280  
Date: 3/24/93

Approved by Commissioner: [Signature]  
Agency: Department of Environmental Conservation Date: 3/24/93

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

FISCAL NOTE

No. 2

STATE OF ALASKA  
1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Bill Session: SB 153

(S) Publish Date: 4-2-93

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Department Affected: Fish and Game

Title: Exchange of Raw Fish for Seafood Product

SRU: Sport Fish

Sponsor: Senator Taylor

Component: Sport Fisheries

Requestor: Senate Resources

COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 464

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 94	FY 95	FY 96	FY 97	FY 98	FY 99
PERSONAL SERVICES	0	0	0	0	0	0
TRAVEL	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONTRACTUAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLIES	0	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
LAND & STRUCTURES	0	0	0	0	0	0
GRANTS, CLAIMS	0	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

CAPITAL	0	0	0	0	0	0
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REVENUE FUND SOURCE:	0	0	0	0	0	0
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FINDING:

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1003 GF Match	0	0	0	0	0	0
1004 GF	0	0	0	0	0	0
1005 GF/Program Receipts	0	0	0	0	0	0
1006 GF/MHTIA	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
PART-TIME	0	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY	0	0	0	0	0	0

Estimate of current year (FY93) impact: \$ 0

ANALYSIS: If the Board of Fisheries takes action to limit the number of fish that individuals can export a system to monitor numbers and species of fish exchanged would be required. Implementing and operating such a system would have some associated costs.

Prepared By: Rocky Holmes

Phone: 465-6187

Division: Sport Fish

Date: March 23, 1993

Approved by Commissioner: Carl R. Reiser

Agency: Department of Fish and Game

Date: March 23, 1993

Charges in CS SB 153 (RES) have no fiscal impact. This fiscal note is appropriate.

4-1-93

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**FISCAL NOTE**

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**STATE OF ALASKA**  
**1993 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

BILL NO. CS5B 153 (RES)

Revision Date: 7-Apr-93  
 Title: Exchange of certain fish for seafood products  
 Sponsor: Senator Taylor  
 Requestor: Senate Resources

Department Affected: Environmental Conservation  
 BRU: Environmental Health  
 Component: Seafood

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<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**POSITIONS:** NONE

<b>FULL-TIME</b>						
<b>PART-TIME</b>						
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Prepared by: Kit Ballentine, Acting Director  
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 Date: 3/24/93

Approved by Commissioner: *James Blair for John Sandor*  
 Agency: Department of Environmental Conservation

Date: 3/24/93

Distribution (by preparer): Legislative Finance, Legislative Sponsor, Requestor, OMB, & Impacted Agency(ies).

# Alaska State Legislature

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**Senator Robin L. Taylor**

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## SPONSOR STATEMENT

### SENATE BILL 153

**April 6, 1993**

**TO: Senate Finance Committee**

**FROM: Senator Robin L. Taylor**

**This legislation provides for the exchange of sport or personal use caught fish for processed fish of the same species and was introduced at the suggestion of commercial processors, native corporations, economic development groups and other interested parties.**

**Current ADEC regulations ( 18 AAC 34.090 ) require the segregation of sport and personal use caught fish from commercial fish; maintenance of records to maintain the identity of all non-commercial fish processed throughout all aspects of processing and ( 18 AAC 34.170 ) the labeling of all non-commercial fish and fishery products with the words "NOT FOR SALE".**

**This legislation would allow for a modification of those regulations, with a positive economic impact in both the processing and tourism industries.**

**This legislation was introduced in 1991 as House Bill 60. It had the approval of ADEC and McKie Campbell testified on behalf of Commissioner Rosier (ADF&G) in support of the concept.**

**The non-resident sport fishery has experienced phenomenal growth. There were 132,008 non-resident sport fishing licenses issued in 1987. In 1992, that number swelled to 208,516. What happens to all that fish? In most cases it gets boxed up and taken home! Most people do not take advantage of custom processing because of 1) the time required, 2) limited capacity of the processors to accept custom work, and 3) the excessively high shipping costs for the finished product.**

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**SB153 SPONSOR STATEMENT**  
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**SB 153 would simply allow the sport fisherman to exchange his or her catch for already processed fish of the same species. It has been estimated that the value added processing which could occur in Ketchikan alone would add \$1 million to the local economy. Multiply that with the potential around the state and the benefits of this legislation become clear.**

**It is only in the initial round of exchange that processors would be allowed to exchange commercially caught fish for sport caught fish. After that, the sport caught fish received in the exchange would be processed and used only for future exchanges. SB 153 contains language assuring the quality of both the exchanged and processed fish.**

**SB 153, as drafted, presents the opportunity to bring custom processors under the watchful eye of ADEC. That alone presents an obstacle to processors intent on violating the intent of possession limits. The bill also requires that custom processors, whether or not they engage in the fish exchange program, keep records of each transaction, including the name and fishing license number of the person providing the fish for processing. The "paper trail" required by this bill should provide a deterrent to the so-called "meat fishery". In short, Senate Bill 153 will help plug some of the loop holes while creating the opportunity for economic development.**

**I ask your support for Senate Bill 153.**



# Overall Economic Development Program

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March 23, 1993

Senator Drue Pearce, Co-Chairman  
Senate Finance Committee  
Capitol, Room 508  
State Capital  
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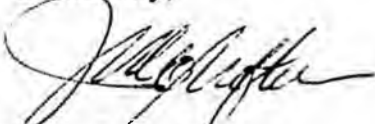
RE: SB 153, RAW FISH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Dear Senator Pearce:

We urge your support of Senate Bill 153. As you well know, the industries of tourism and of fishing make significant contributions to the local economies of Southeast Alaska. Your support of SB 153 will go a long way toward enriching the tourist experience of Southeast, while providing a valuable and perhaps lifelong link to the premier fish products of Southeast Alaska.

Thank you for your efforts on the behalf of all Alaskans.

Yours truly,



John Clifton, Chair  
Overall Economic Development Program

cc: Members of the Finance Committee  
Alaska Senate

Senator Robin Taylor  
Representative Bill Williams



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March 31, 1993

Honorable Drue Pearce  
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And

Honorable Steve Frank  
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State Capitol, Room 518  
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RE: SB 57 - Reauthorization of the State Training  
and Employment Program (STEP)

Dear Senators Pearce and Frank:

We are writing this letter in support of SB 57, the STEP Program Reauthorization bill. We are a small, privately-owned business in rural Alaska which processes and sells sea cucumbers, sea urchins, and fillets and vacuum-packed, sports-caught fish. We are also the recipients of a STEP grant for training local people in the art of processing and packing these seafood items for market.


We were able to hire all those individuals trained under our grant providing employment for them and a pool of trained workers for ourselves. We are very excited about having broken into Japanese markets for our sea cucumbers and urchins, however, handling and processing of these seafoods to Japanese market standards requires great care and attention to detail. Our STEP grant provided us the opportunity to accomplish this through training of our current employees. We believe this is an important program to small, privately-owned businesses, and particularly for those of us in the area of resource development.

Please support passage of SB 57 and reauthorize the STEP Program for an additional three years. We think its good for Alaska and good for business.

Sincerely,

THE FRESH FISH COMPANY

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carol Garcia, Owner

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Carla Gjertsen, Owner

LETTER OF INTENT

for  
CS for SB 153 (RES)

It is the intenc of the legislature that the Board of Fish consider regulations regarding export limitations and a definition of possession limit with regard to this issue. It is the intent of the legislature that this be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board.

**SENATE COMMITTEE REPORT**  
FIRST COMMITTEE OF REFERRAL

DATE: 3/9/93

FURTHER: FINANCE

Date of 5-Day Notice: 3/25/93  
(in accordance with Uniform Rule 23)

DATE TURNED INTO OFFICE: 4-2-93

RESOURCES Committee considered SB 153

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attaches amendment(s)

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- do pass
- do not pass
- no recommendation
- individual recommendations

*Letter of Intent  
for RES*

**FISCAL NOTE INFORMATION**

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal
DEC	3.24.93		\$5.0
ADF & G	3.23.93	✓	

Department	Date	Zero	Fiscal

Appropriation No Fiscal Note

Governor's Bill with Previous Fiscal Notes (enter information above)

**DO PASS:**

**OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS:**

*Tom Pearce*

*Robert A. Simon NR*  
*Richard Suley NR*

*Mike Miller No REC*

Chair: Signature and Recommendation